

TOWN OF WEBSTER
Office of Selectmen
945 Battle Street/Rte. 127
Webster, NH 03303

7:00 P.M. Selectmen's Meeting – December 13, 2010

Present: Chairman David Klumb – via electronic and Selectman George Cummings.

The Board signed the payroll and check manifests.

The Board signed the following for Mrs. Jones:

- Chairman Klumb made a motion to accept the minutes of November 29, 2010 as written; seconded by Selectman Cummings and approved;
- Chairman Klumb made a motion to accept the minutes of December 6, 2010 as written; seconded by Selectman Cummings and approved;
- Resigned the Veteran's Tax Credit signed on November 29, 2010 so as to have the Board's signatures on the permanent application; and
- Purchase Order #34 for the Highway Department for cutting edges in the amount of \$1,705.12.

Police Chief Dupuis advised or presented the following:

- He attended the NH Chief's Winter Meeting in North Conway. The new Motor Vehicle Director was there and advised of a new municipal police plate, which will be available March 1st at a cost of \$8.00. It is not necessary to change until 2015 when the current plates expire. Further information regarding these plates will be sent. The State Police were present at the meeting and talked about the SPOTS computer, the type seen at dispatch centers that displays vast amounts of personal information. The cost for the computer is \$4,500 as it requires a secure line from Concord to the site. Changes are expected to be made in about a year so that the same information may be received via the internet on a desk top computer at a yearly cost of \$500;
- Gas is being purchased through the State again as the price at Cumberland Farms has exceeded the State price;
- He presented the semi-monthly report, which showed 24 calls for service and read the highlights;
- They had the first hearing with the Franklin District Court Judge in an attempt to collect money for the Town for DWI arrests. The Judge denied the case saying he wanted to look further into the issue, saying no one had brought it up before, but indicated that he thought it was a good idea and indicated it could be done in the future; and
- The cameras have been adjusted and the new equipment installed at the Public Safety Building. There are some outside cameras with water in them that will be replaced next year.

Fire Chief Colin Colby reported that the Department has been busy with medical calls, a chimney fire and a serious motor vehicle accident. He advised of the need of a new washer and dryer, as required under NFPA 1851, for the Fire Department. He has money in the budget and has been shopping around. They need at least a heavy duty quality and found the washer for around \$275 and the dryer for around \$400. The Board had no objection to the purchase. Chief Colby received a call from the Warner Fire Chief and requested to go into a non-public session to discuss an issue that may harm someone's reputation. As only Selectman Cummings was here, he agreed the issue could wait until the next Selectmen's Meeting.

Road Agent Emmett Bean noted that all was well.

Energy Committee Member Marty Bender advised that the Energy Committee had met and are proposing an energy/insulation audit for the Town Hall at a cost of \$1,400. An audit for the Public Safety Building would be an additional \$500. The Committee is also recommending that the commercial refrigerator in the kitchen be replaced with a smaller, more efficient commercial refrigerator. Mr. Bender obtained a price of \$1,275 from Jack Nicholas of NE Food with a trade-in offered of \$400. Discussion ensued. Mrs. Jones recommended checking with the Webster Church Booth to see if they would be interested in purchasing the old refrigerator. Selectman Cummings offered to call Dot Haskins to inquire. It may be possible to encumber some of the money as long as there was a contract. This will be discussed at the next meeting on budgets.

Chief Dupuis inquired as to whether the Town of Salisbury had contacted the Board regarding any Police coverage, which they had not.

The Board discussed a PA system for the Town Hall with no decisions made. Last year the Town borrowed a system and may do the same next year for the Town Meeting.

The Board will discuss and vote on encumbrances at the next Board Meeting on December 27th.

Jaye Bowe inquired as to whether there were any tax breaks the Town might be eligible for because of the energy updates, which she was advised that the Town was not eligible.

7:28 P.M. Chairman Klumb made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Selectman Cummings and approved.

David E. Klumb, Chairman

George C. Cummings

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